

## Message Text

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R 150740Z SEP 74

FM AMEMBASSY NICOSIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9991

MSGIF WASHDC

INFO AMCONSUL FRANKFURT

UNCLAS NICOSIA 3104

DEPT FOR A/SY/FO; FRANKFURT FOR RSS AND RMO

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: ASEC MILI

SUBJ: MSGS NICOSIA

1. AT PRESENT TIME, A MARINE ASSIGNED TO NICOSIA COULD POSSIBLY SPEND UP TO THIRTY MONTHS AT POST. IN APRIL 1974 IT WAS GENERALLY AGREED UPON BY RSO, NCOIC, AND COMMANDING OFFICER COMPANY B (BEIRUT) THAT TOUR BE REDUCED TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS. THIS RECOMMENDATION WAS BASED ON LACK OF FEMALE COMPANIONSHIP AND OTHER OUTSIDE INTERESTS FOR MSGS.

2. UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, ROLE OF MSG IS ONE OF GREATER RESPONSIBILITY. CALM THAT WAS CHARACTERISTIC OF ISLAND THREE MONTHS AGO HAS BEEN REPLACED BY TENSION AND UNCERTAINTY. THIS IS ENHANCED BY OUTWARD DISPLAY OF ANTI-AMERICANISM.

3. DUE TO LINES ESTABLISHED BY TURKISH FORCES, MSGS HAVE BEEN LIMITED IN THEIR MOVEMENTS TO RECREATION AREAS - WHICH HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO THE TOWN OF LIMASSOL. UNFORTUNATELY, LIMASSOL IS ORIGIN OF MOST OF ANTI-AMERICAN PROPAGANDA.

4. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE TOUR FOR MARINE GUARDS BE REDUCED TO 12 MONTHS.

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5. IT IS ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT PRESENT NCOIC BE CREDITED

WITH UNACCOMPANIED TOUR.  
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